

**Official Ballot
Annual Town Election
Weare, New Hampshire
March 13, 2012**

**For Selectman
Three Year Term
Vote for Two**

Joshua Solomon	339
Thomas S. Clow	648
John C. Lawton	524
Bradford Macauley	198
LeRoy Marcroft	183
(Write-in)	12

**For Selectman
One Year Unexpired Term
Vote for One**

Elwood Stagakis	229
Barry Arnold	103
Lloyd E. Bailey, Jr.	266
James Leary	439
(Write-in)	7

**For Town Clerk
One Year Unexpired Term
Vote for One**

Maureen Billodeau	1137
(Write-in)	4

**For Checklist Supervisor
Six Year Term
Vote for One**

Colleen Couhie	1081
(Write-in)	2

**For Moderator
Two Year Term
Vote for One**

(Write-in)	99
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**For Library Trustee
Three Year Term
Vote for One**

Susan Morin	1065
(Write-in)	2

**For Cemetery Trustee
Three Year Term
Vote for One**

William F. Tiffany	1059
(Write-in)	8

**For Trustee of Trust Funds
Three Year Term
Vote for One**

John McCausland	1034
(Write-in)	4

**For Board of Fire-wards
Non-Member Fire Dept.
Three Year Term
Vote for One**

Jonathan Osborne	1004
(Write-in)	5

**For Board of Fire-wards
Member Fire Dept.
Three Year Term
Vote for One**

Frederick W. Hippler	544
George P. Beaudette	399
(Write-in)	1

**For Ethics Committee
Three Year Term
Vote for Two**

(Write-in)	88
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**For Ethics Committee
Two Year Term
Vote for One**

(Write-in)	52
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ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2, as follows: Shall the Town amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? To amend Article 27.3.6 that would make changes to the setbacks in a cluster development. As more particularly set forth in the full text of the proposal which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk. (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes - 667

No - 347

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3, as follows: Shall the Town amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? To delete Article 30.4 regarding the area requirements in the rural conservation overlay. As more particularly set forth in the full text of the proposal which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk. (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes - 747

No - 445

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4, as follows: Shall the Town amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? To delete the last sentence in Article 14.2 which allowed one dwelling unit to be permitted for each four acres of the wetland district or Class 6 soils on the property. As more particularly set forth in the full text of the proposal which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk. (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes - 723

No - 496

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5, as follows: Shall the Town amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? To add a sentence to definition in Article 4.1 of Driveway, Common - indicating that the common driveway does not need to be located on the frontage that was used to determine the lot size. As more particularly set forth in the full text of the proposal which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk. (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes - 847

No - 374

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6, as follows: Shall the Town amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? To amend Article 32.4.1 which further defines the locations where wireless telecommunications facilities can be sited. As more particularly set forth in the full text of the proposal which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk. (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes - 813

No - 412

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7, as follows: Shall the Town amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? To amend Article 34.9.5 by adding an exception for open signs for businesses. As more particularly set forth in the full text of the proposal which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk. (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes - 998

No - 244

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 8,** as follows: To amend the Weare Zoning Map by modifying the zoning of Tax Map 411, Lot 100, said parcel being located on the north side of Gould Road to change from Commercial (C) to Residential (R). (By Petition) (**Recommended** by the Planning Board)

Yes -925

No - 299

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town raise and appropriate, as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Four Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$4,767,860.00)? Should this article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be Four Million Six Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars \$4,685,778.00) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. Should Article 19 pass, the proposed operating budget would be reduced by an additional Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,200.00). (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 641

No - 630

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$22,200.00) to be used for raises for non-union Town and Library personnel? If approved, this addition would become part of the annual budget. If approved, the Selectmen will consider a plan to cost share the cost of health insurance in fiscal year 2012. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 790

No - 494

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town approve the cost items contained in the three (3) year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the *American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)* Union for the Public Works Employees which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level up to:

Year	Estimated Increase	Year	Estimated Increase
2012	\$ 18,863.78	2013	\$ 20,842.59

Year	Estimated Increase
2014	\$ 21,676.29

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Eight cents (\$ 18,863.78) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 486

No - 797

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Nine-Hundred Dollars (\$374,900.00) for the purpose of purchasing a new fire truck and to take any other action needed in relation thereto and authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the previously established Weare Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Special Revenue Fund? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 902

No - 399

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund called the Fire Equipment Fund for the purchase a new defibrillator/AED machine for the Fire Department? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 979

No - 370

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) for road reconstruction and resurfacing of roads? Of the \$400,000.00, the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred-Thirteen Dollars and Ninety-Four Cents (\$248,413.94) is anticipated to be received from Highway Block Grant Funds from the State of New Hampshire (Pursuant to RSA 235) with One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars and Six Cents (\$151,586.06) to be raised by taxation. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 953

No - 345

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$155,000.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund called the Highway Truck and Equipment Fund for the purchase of a new backhoe and pickup for the Highway Department? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 598

No - 659

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund called the Transfer Station Equipment Fund for the purchase of a used trailer and a new baler for the Transfer Station? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 797

No - 490

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Zero Dollars (\$00.00) for the purpose of purchasing one (1) new police cruiser and to take any other action needed in relation thereto and to authorize the withdrawal of Zero Dollars (\$00.00) from the previously established Police Detail Revolving Fund, with the remaining balance of Zero Dollars (\$00.00) to be raised by taxation? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 819

No - 416

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$9,200.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund called the Police Communications Fund for the purpose of upgrading the equipment to be able to maintain constant radio communications with dispatch? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 816

No - 481

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund called the Computer System Fund for the purpose of upgrading the servers, software and computers? Should this article pass, the proposed operating budget (Article 9) would be reduced by Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,200.00). (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 784

No - 507

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund called the Employee Retirement and Accrual Fund? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 439

No - 853

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Six Dollars (\$4,346.00) to be added to the Weare Public Library's wage line to add three (3) hours weekly to one (1) existing part-time page position and three (3) hours weekly to one (1) existing part time aide position, and two and a half (2.5) hours weekly to the existing cleaning position? If approved, this addition would become part of the annual budget. No benefits accompany these additional hours. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 782

No - 482

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for cemetery improvements and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said sum from Cemetery Trust Funds Cy Pres Account. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 922

No - 340

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to cover the costs of the Town's participation in one (1) local Household Hazardous Waste Collection in 2012? This warrant article has been designated by the Board of Selectmen as a Special Warrant Article so that the funds, if approved, may not be transferred for any other purposes. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 988

No - 277

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the non-transferable sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing fireworks for 2012 Weare Patriotic Celebration? This warrant article has been designated by the Board of Selectmen as a Special Warrant Article so that the funds, if approved, may not be transferred for any other purposes. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 735

No - 539

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to allow the Conservation Commission to secure contracted services with the Town's Licensed Forester to prepare forest management plans; secure contracted services for the Town Forest maintenance, and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of that sum from the Town Forest Account? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 867

No - 395

ARTICLE 26

Shall the Town designate the Wood Family Forest (an existing conservation land adjacent to Bolton Field, Tax Map 411-Lot 160.1, recorded in Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds at Book 7264, Pages 2587-2590, containing 207.9 acres) as a Town Forest under the provision of RSA 31:110? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 980

No - 278

ARTICLE 27

Shall the Town designate Tobey Hill (an existing conservation land, Tax Map 407-Lot 14, recorded in Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds at Book 7076, Pages 0003-0004, containing 52.3 acres) as a Town Forest under the provision of RSA 31:110? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 969

No - 278

ARTICLE 28

Shall the Town amend the Finance Committee Ordinance to create flexibility in the number of seats on the Committee (at least 9 but not more than 13); clarify some communication timing issues; and to allow the moderator more options in selecting members? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Yes - 932

No - 312

ARTICLE 29

Shall the Town implement a policy that a volunteer appointed by the Board of Selectmen serve on no more than three boards, commissions or committees at one time. (By Petition)

Yes - 1010

No - 251